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VIA A LAST-ROUND DRAW WITH JOHN CLINE.

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The 1983 Texas Championship and Amateur is now in the record books. Joe Bradford, the titleholder for the last 4 years, was finally dethroned. And from out of the past the legend of Ken Smith rode again. Proving that he is still a force to be reckoned with, Smith won clear first in the 53 player Championship section by winning 5 straight and then drawing in the last round. Earning \$750 and the C. Harold Bone trophy for a year, Smith must have decided to return from the world of poker to the area where the real money lies. Enroute to the title he rolled over Nelson (2098), Weaver (2100?), Simms (2239), Thinnsen (2408), Santillan (2000) and drew with Cline (2342). Clear second was taken by James Thinnsen, a California trained Senior Master, with 5 points. Bradford must have felt the gods were not in his corner; after winning 2 and drawing with Budinszky, Gamble, and Simms, he rode off into the sunset bloodied but unbowed.

The 161 player Texas Amateur was won by Stanley Shanks and Herman Tyson with identical scores of 5½-½. Shanks was declared Amateur Champion on tiebreaks and he and Tyson each got \$400 for his efforts.

Both tournaments were very ably conducted under the auspices of the Austin Chess Club and directed by Pat Long and his crew of very capable assistants. The conditions were superb; the three-day Memorial Day week-end proved to be a good choice and the Austin Hyatt Regency was a sumptuous site. Rounds were started on time or very near, noise was held to a minimum, and the 2 round per day schedule proved to be very manageable for both players and directors. Drawing 53 Masters and Experts indicated that the opportunity to play 6 games against strong competition is a considerable drawing card for the Championship section.

For the first four rounds of the Championship, the sensation of the tournament was Dr. Carlos Santillan (or the Peruvian Pistol, as he is known in international circles). An Amarillo resident, Santillan had allowed only one draw by then, and in round 4 had defeated Wageeh Boctor (2324). Considering that his pre-tournament rating was only 2000 placing him 52nd out of the 53 participants, this created quite a stir. But Smith proved equal to the task and downed Santillan in the 5th round.

Robert Atlas and Lee Gaskill will publish a tournament booklet of the games of the Championship section. This can be obtained by sending \$5 to Atlas at 4001 Watonga #3008, Houston, Tx 77092.



Scott Felder (left foreground)
Stan Shanks (right foreground)

Herman Tyson (right foreground) and
opponent.





CHAMPIONSHIP SECTION



1st	Ken Smith	(2282)	5½-½	\$ 750 + "C. Harold Bone Memorial Trophy"
2nd	Jim Thinnsen	(2408)	5-1	\$ 350 + trophy
3rd-4th	three-way tie			
	Robert Atlas	(2315)	4½-1½	\$ 100
	John Cline	(2342)	4½-1½	\$ 100
	Igor Shtern	(2230)	4½-1½	\$ 100
Top Expert	Tom Rowan	(2119)	4-2	\$ 100

AMATEUR SECTION

Overall

1st	two-way tie			
	Stanley Shanks	(1966)	5½-½	\$ 400 + trophy (1st)
	Herman Tyson	(1866)	5½-½	\$ 400 + trophy (2nd)
3rd-4th	eight-way tie			
	Richard Sansing	(1990)	5-1	\$ 37.50
	Robert Toellner	(1968)	5-1	\$ 37.50
	Jeff Gillis	(1923)	5-1	\$ 37.50
	Clifford Dean	(1919)	5-1	\$ 37.50
	Kevin McDonald	(1913)	5-1	\$ 37.50
	Frank Adams	(1895)	5-1	\$ 37.50
	Paul Woerner	(1883)	5-1	\$ 37.50
	Mack Novosad	(1824)	5-1	\$ 37.50

1799/Below

1st	five-way tie			
	Frank Brack	(1735)	4-2	\$ 70 + trophy on tie break
	David Sewell	(1730)	4-2	\$ 70
	John McGaughy	(1771)	4-2	\$ 70
	Mike Machado	(1766)	4-2	\$ 70
	A.B. Hailey	(1721)	4-2	\$ 70

1599/Below

1st	two-way tie			
	Craig Holcomb	(1487)	4-2	\$ 150 + trophy
	Steven Thompson	(1498)	4-2	\$ 150

3rd	George Pease	(1539)	3½-2½	\$ 50
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1399/Below

1st	Roger Williams	(unr.)	4-2	\$ 125
2nd	four-way tie			
	Ed Erwin	(unr.)	3½-2½	\$ 18.75
	Clarence Jack	(unr.)	3½-2½	\$ 18.75
	Jurgen Oberst	(unr.)	3½-2½	\$ 18.75
	Joel Senger	(unr.)	3½-2½	\$ 18.75



(Ed: After Joe Bradford's fine showing in the National Open in March, I was able to persuade him to give us some of his insights during his game with GM Quinteros which gave Joe a tie for 2nd. He also agreed to annotate an effort by one of the tourney's lesser lights.)

1983 National Open - Las Vegas

White: GM Miguel Quinteros (Argentina) Black: Joe Bradford (U S of Texas)

1 c4	c5	(a) White has a clear edge in the opening. The Bishop on g2
2 Nf3	Nf6	puts considerable pressure on Black's Queenside, especially
3 d4	cd	since Black has misplaced his Queen Knight. Probably best
4 Nd4	e6	is to play Qc7 and trade Queens, but I couldn't hope to do
5 Nc3	Bb4	better than draw and considering my standing in the tourna-
6 g3	0-0	ment a draw was as good as a loss as far as the money was
7 Bg2	d5	concerned.
8 Qb3	Na6?!	(b) White is playing for a win also. Although if 12 Qb5 Black
9 Nc2	dc	has a better ending than the one previously quoted for after
10 Qc4	Be7	12...Qb5 13 Nb5 Bd7 14 Nc3 Nc5 15 b4? Na4!
11 0-0(a)	Qa5	(c) Black was threatening b5,b4. White could also stop Black's
12 Rd1(b)	Rb8	Queenside expansion with 13 Qb5, Qb5 14 Nb5 Bd7 15 N2a3!(Not
13 a3(c)	Qh5	Na7 Ra8) When Black has to play Ba3 and White has a lasting
14 Bf3	Qg6	advantage with his Bishops. Three different endings in three
15 e4	b5!(d)	moves.
16 Qe2	Bb7(e)	(d) If 16 Nb5 Bb7 17 Nc3 Nc5 18 Rel Ba6 19 Qa2 Nb3 20 Rb1 Bd3
17 b4(f)	Rbc8	Now Black has breathing room on the Queenside.
18 Bb2	Nc7	(e) Forced but good. White was threatening to win with e5
19 Nd4	a6	and Bh5.
20 e5	Nfd5!(g)	(f) Taking away c5 from Black's Knight. If 17 Bf4 Rbc8 18 Qb5
21 Ne4(h)	Nf4!(i)	Nc5 with considerable play for the pawn.
22 Qe1	N7d5	(g) Black can't afford to lose control of c6 to White's Knight
23 Kh1	Nh3	(h) If 21 Be4??, Nc3 wins a piece
24 Bg2	N5f4!	(i) Taking the initiative. Also, we both have only 5 minutes
25 Nf6(j)	gf	left to the time control making it doubly important.
26 Bb7	Nd3??(k)	(j) If 25 gf Be4 26 Be4(f3 then Nf4) Qe4 27 Qe4 Nf2 28 Kgl or
27 Rd3	Qd3	g2, Ne4. Although after 29 Rd3! the position is unclear.
28 Bc8?(l)	Rc8	(k) 26...Rc7 first and Black is better but with only 2 minutes
29 Kg2	Ng5	to go...
30 h4	fe	(l) 28 Kg2!! Ng5 29 h4 Rc7 30 hg Rb7 31 gf Bd8 32 Rd1 when
31 hg	ed	White is winning. The text move was what I expected and
32 Rd1	Qf5	understandable since he had less than a minute to make 17
33 Rd4(m)	Bg5	moves or as Josh Turin put it "He had only nanoseconds"
34 Rd7	Rc2!	(m) 33 Bd4 is better
35 Bal	h5(n)	(n) Not 35...Rc1 36 Qc1! Bc1 37 Rd8 mate
36 Ra7??	Qd5	
37 Kh3	Rc1	0-1 Time forfeit--and with 43 seconds left on my clock, I had plenty

White: Simms Black: Dykstra

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nc6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Be2 Qc7 7 0-0 Nf6 8 Be3 Bb4 9 f3(White dares Black to play 9...Bc3 which weakens White's Queenside but would also give Black dark square weaknesses.) ...Bd6(...b5 followed by Bb7 is correct. The text does nothing to complete his development. Unless your opponent makes a blunder a premature attack in the opening almost always backfires.)

10 f4 Nd4 11 Qd4 e5 12 Qc4 Qc4 (better is 12...ef 13 Qc7 Bc7 14 Bf4 Bf4 15 Rf4 d6 16 Rd1 Ke7 when White has only a slight advantage. The text is a clear case of greed. Black wins a pawn but loses control of b6 and d5 after which it becomes impossible to untangle his Queenside.) 13 Bc4 Ng4 14 Bb6 ef 15 Rad1 Be5 16 Nd5 0-0 17 c3 g5 (Could this be the position Black had in mind when he traded Queens? What is Black's plan? How is he to finish his Queenside development? d6 is not possible because White plays Nc7 and Ba7 snaring Black's Rook. The important lesson to be learned from this game is the importance of correct planning. Black completely forgot about his development at move 9 and the result is that his position can no longer be saved without help from White.) 18 Ne7? (One possible winning idea could be based on the following variation. 18 h4 h6 19 hg hg 20 g3! fg 21 Rf5 d6 22 Rg5 Kh7 23 Be2 with threats on g4 and a8. Of course Black has other tries but White seems to be making progress.) 18...Kh8 19 Nf5? Bb8? (19...d5! 20 Bd5 Bf5 21 ef Ne3 gets opposite colored Bishops which can be tough for White to win. After Black misses this possibility he dies a slow death due to constriction. Black apparently couldn't bring himself to give back his booty.) 20 h3 Ne5 21 Bb3 Ba7 22 Rd6 Bb6 23 Rb6 Ra7 (Your guess is as good as mine, but what else?) 24 Nd6 Kg7 25 Nf5 Kh8 26 Nd6 Kg8 27 Rd1 Kg7 28 Nf5 Kh8 29 Rd5 f6 30 Rdd6 Nc6 31 Bd5 Ra8 32 b4 h5 33 e5! Ne5 34 Rf6 Ng6 35 Rf8 Nf8 36 Rh6 Nh7 37 Rg6 1-0 P. S. Black's demise was not a pretty sight. Remember to develop your pieces and you won't let Gary do this to you.



Pete Prattes, longtime San Antonio organizer, tournament director, and player, died last week. Pete was 66. He died peacefully in his sleep. All who remember him, remember him as ever friendly and courteous. Pete was the backbone of the chess club for many years. He served as secretary/treasurer for many years during the sixties and early seventies. He provided everyone the feeling of involvement with the activities of the club. His calm demeanor aided him in his dealing with the ever present "tournament character".

For many of us, tournament chess in San Antonio meant playing in a tournament directed by Pete Prattes.

Pete is one of the old guard who have been actively involved in chess activity since the early sixties. He was the chief tournament director in the late sixties and early seventies, and was tournament director for the Southwest Open for many years.

A perennial "B" Player, Pete could astound some of the stronger players by his ability to obtain a superior game. He had a genuine love of chess and encouraged everyone to enjoy it.

Chess has lost a good friend. We will miss him.

Chess Video - The first community chess video has just been completed and will be aired on May 16th at 10 PM on channel 21 of UA Columbia Cablevision. The show is hosted by Dale Dike and Tony Alston. It offers an interesting graphic history of the game as well as an introduction to how the game is played. Please tune in with a friend who has always wanted to learn how to play! If you miss the program on the 18th, it will be repeated on May 17 at 1:30 PM and again on May 18 at 10:30 AM.

Mission Open Results - Jack Ligon scored an impressive 5-0 result to capture 1st place in this years Mission Open. Held April 23&24 at the Broadway Plaza Hotel, this event attracted a field of 44 players. Jerome Gottesman (2103) and David Naiser (2058) shared 2nd and 3rd places when they each scored 4 points.

This event was special for Jack Ligon for at 2188, this was the first time Jack has reached the magic 2200 mark. Jack had his work cut out for him as he had to defeat Andy Smith (1997), Randall Schwarz (2088), and Michael Calagridis (2144) in the last three rounds. Jack is now the only San Antonio Master since Michael Fletcher (2206), who was stationed here in the Army, moved on to Washington D. C.

Other winners were:

CAT. I - 3 1/2 - Andrew Smith, Mark Harden, Edward Bernheim, Brian Oarr, & Ken Stouthers.

CAT. II - 3 - Jim Watson

CAT. III - 3 - Fred Scudieri, Robert Laubenstein, Richard Straus, Wayne Griffin & Bruce Eberhard.

CAT. IV, V, - 2 - Martin Gordon & Al Baron.

Andy Smith (1996) vs. Jack Ligon (2186)

Alekine's Defence

1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 c4 Nb6 4 d4 d6 5 f4 de 6 fe Nc6 7 Be3 Bf5 8 Nc3 e6
9 Nf3 Bg4 10 Be2 Bf3 11 Bf3 Nc4 12 Bc6 bc6 13 Qa4 Ne3 14 Qc6 Ke7 15 Ke2
Nf5 ? 16 Rhd1 Rb8 17 d5 Rb6 18 Qc4 Ke8 19 de6 Rb2+ 20 Kf3 Bd6 21 ed6 Nd6
22 ef7+ Kf8 23 Qe6 Qh4 24 Rf1 Qh2 25 Rael Qg2 26 Ke3 Qd2+ 27 Kf3 Qc3 0-1

Lion's Field III Results - Selby Anderson (2060) beat out David Gomez (2072) in the last round to take 1st Place with a 3-0 result. This 3 round event took place on three consecutive Thursdays at the Club. Gomez took 2nd place with a score of 2-1.

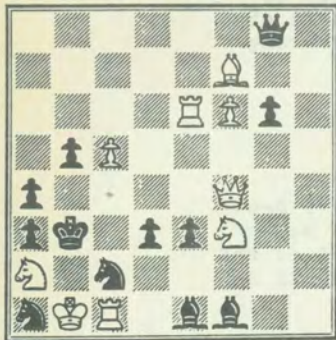
In section II, Wayne Griffin (1505) took first place in Section II with a score of 2 1/2-1/2. Harlan Miller (1362) took second with a 2-1 score. Miller lost to Griffin in the last round.

The Texoma Open was played in Wichita Falls the week-end of May 14-15. Although attracting only 17 players, the event provided a chance for the Northern Texas people to try out their skills in rated competition. Lavalie Watson was the winner with 4½-½, drawing in the last round with Khristian Gardner. Watson won \$150 while Gardner and Nelson Newman each took home \$62.50 by tying for second place with 3½-1½.

TEXOMA OPEN

May 14-15, 1983

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White mates in 2 moves

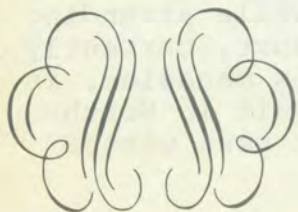
SPASSKY'S COMEBACK

Former world champ Boris Spassky, 46, never quit after losing the title to Bobby Fischer in 1972. In a recent interview, when asked to describe his chess style, Spassky quipped: "First it was very brilliant, but now it's getting worse and worse." His recent result belies this modesty.

Spassky has resided near Paris for several years, ever since fighting his government for permission to marry a girl who was attached to the French embassy in Moscow. Yet he still maintains cordial relations with his native land and even played top board for the USSR in the 1978 olympics. His compatriots describe him as a "one-legged dissident"--one foot in Russia, one foot outside.

In a field of 11 grandmasters at Linares, Spain, Spassky showed a flash of his old form by coasting to first with 6½ points, comprising 3 wins and 7 draws. Also both undefeated in a tie for a second at 6 were titleholder Anatoly Karpov and Sweden's Ulf Andersson.

Karpov missed his last chance to catch Spassky when he was held to a draw in the last round by America's Yasser Seirawan, who finished a disappointing 10th. Denmark's Bent Larsen has the dubious distinction of dead last even though he started with 2 wins before losing 8 games outright.



Name	Rtg	1	2	3	4	5	Total
1 Watson, Lavalie	1920	W12	W10	W2	W6	D3	4½
2 Newman, Nelson	1890	W13	W11	L1	D8	W5	3½
3 Gardner, Khristian	1760	L8	W14	W7	W9	D1	3½
4 Snead, Bill	1936	L11	L7	W17	W16	W13	3
5 Fleming, Michael	1749	W9	D8	D6	W11	L2	3
6 Brady, Wallace	1729	W15	W16	D5	L1	D8	3
7 Hillman, Joe	1620	D14	W4	L3	D13	W15	3
8 Montgomery, Robert	1409	W3	D5	D13	D2	D6	3
9 Storm, Richard	1396	L5	W12	W10	L3	W11	3
10 McClure, Rex	1603	W17	L1	L9	D15	W16	2½
11 Gill, Stanley	1589	W4	L2	W15	L5	L9	2
12 Reed, Charles	1444	L1	L9	Bye	L14	W17	2
13 Sanders, Eddie	1421	L2	W17	D8	D7	L4	2
14 Virden, Joe	1313	D7	L3	D16	W12	W/D	2
15 Hitt, Sammy	1395	L6	Bye	L11	D10	L7	1½
16 Brake, David	1110	Bye	L6	D14	L4	L10	1½
17 Reger, Troy	Unr.	L10	L13	L4	Bye	L12	1

White: TIMMAN Black: SPASSKY

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| Ruy Lopez 1983 | |
| 1 e4 | e5 |
| 2 Nf3 | Nc6 |
| 3 Bb5 | a6 |
| 4 Ba4 | d6 |
| 5 Bxc6+ | bx c6 |
| 6 d4 | exd4 |
| 7 Qxd4 | c5 |
| 8 Qd3 | g6 |
| 9 Nc3 | Bg7 |
| 10 Bf4 | Ne7 |
| 11 0-0-0 | 0-0 |
| 12 Qd2 | Re8 |
| 13 Bh6 | Bh8 |
| 14 h4 | Rb8 |
| 15 a3? | Be6 |
| 16 Ng5 | Qc8 |
| 17 Nxe6 | Qxe6 |
| 18 Kb1 | Rb7 |
| 19 Ka1 | Reb8 |
| 20 Rb1 | Nc6 |
| 21 f4 | Bd4 |
| 22 Qd3 | a5 |
| 23 Qh3 | f5 |
| 24 Rhe1 | Nb4! |
| 25 axb4 | axb4 |
| 26 Na4 | Ra7 |
| 27 Qb3 | c4 |
| 28 Qa2 | Rba8 |
| 29 exf5 | Rxa4 |

White Resigns

Black.

SOLUTION: 1 Qg5! threatening Qd5. 1

MIDNIGHT OIL

When master games are suspended overnight in relatively simple settings, the result should be fairly obvious. Yet a leading expert on endgames, ex-world champ Vassily Smyslov, overlooked a resource even after burning midnight oil with a team of Soviet colleagues at the Las Palmas Interzonal 1982.

In the penultimate round Hungary's Zoltan Ribli decided to get some sleep, confident he was winning his adjourned game with Smyslov. But by morning his analysts informed him that the game should be drawn with best play. So Ribli arrived at the board expecting to split the point.

Lo and behold, Smyslov immediately made a fatal error that lost quickly. Apparently a night of hard analysis had convinced him it was lost anyway. Smyslov found no way to save the position even though he and Ribli were engaged in a tight race for first at an event designed to determine two qualifiers for the Candidates' matches, which will ultimately yield a challenger for the title.

After the game Ribli proceeded to demonstrate the correct drawing line. Flabbergasted, Smyslov couldn't believe his eyes and asked another former titleholder Tigran Petrosian to examine the analysis. Later Smyslov admitted that he and his team had done bad work.

This earned Ribli the awards for both the best game and the best endgame. The continuation from the diagram was:

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| 1... Bh2? | |
| 2 b6! | Kd5 |
| 3 b7 | Bb8 |
| 4 h4 | Ke5 |
| 5 h5 | Resigns |

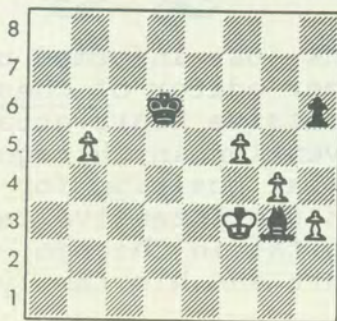
Black cannot stop the pawns. One possibility is 5...Ba7 6 Ke2 Kd5 7 g5! hxg5 8 h6 and this pawn queens. Also hopeless is 5...Kf6 6 Ke4 Ke7 7 Kd5 Kf7 8 Kc6 Ke7 9 g5! hxg5 10 h6 Kf7 11 Kd7 g5 12 h7 Kg7 13 f6+ Kxh7 14 f7 Kg7 15 Ke8 Bd6 16 b8/Q Bxb8 17 f8/Q+ and White wins.

Smyslov overlooked: 1...Be5! (1...Be1 also works) 2 Ke4 Bc3 3 b6 Kc6 4 h4 (also leading to a draw is 4 b7 Kxb7 5 Kd5 Kc7 6 Ke6 Kd8 7 Kf7 Kd7 8 f6 Kd6! 9 h4 Ke5 10 Kg6 Ke6) Bf6! 5 h5 Bh8! (the only way to save the draw) 6 b7 Kxb7 7 Kd5 Kc7 8 Ke6 Kd8 9 Kf7 Kd7 10 Kg6 Ke7 11 Kxh6 Bc3! 12 g5 Bd2! 13 Kg6 Kf8. This position is a theoretical draw.

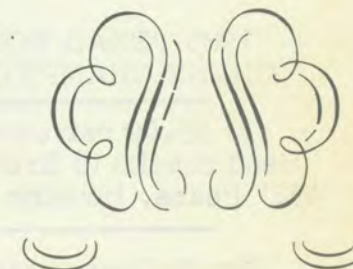
In this final setting White can make no real progress. If 14 h6 Kg8 15 h7+ Kh8 16 Kh6 Bf4 17 f6 Bc1 18 f7 Ba3 19 g6 Bf8+ 20 Kg5 Bg7 Black achieves either a blockade or stalemate after 21 Kf5 Bf8 22 Ke6 Kg7 23 Kd7 Kh8 24 Ke8 Kg7 25 h8/Q+ Kxh8 26 Kxf8. Stalemate. This is a draw

(See text) SOLUTION: 1...Be5! NOTIONS

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Black to play and draw



GAMES

Texhoma Open, Wichita Falls, Texas - May, 1983

White: Hillman, 1620 Black: Gardner, 1760

1 Nf3 c6 2 d4 d5 3 g3 Nf6 4 Bg2 Bg4 5 0-0 e6 6 c4 Nbd7 7 cd ed 8 Nc3 Bd6 9 Rel 0-0
10 Qc2 Re8 11 b3 Bb4 12 Bb2 Ne4 13 a3 Bc3 14 Bc3 Nc3 15 Qc3 Bf3 16 ef3 Nf6 17 Re8
Ne8 18 Rel Qd6 19 b4 Nc7 20 Bf1 Re8 21 Re8 Ne8 22 Bd3 Qf6 23 Kg2 Nc7 24 Qc5 b6
25 Qc3 g6 26 a4 Kf8 27 a5 ba 28 Qc5 Kg7 29 ba a6 30 Qb6 Nb5 31 Qa6 Nd4 32 f4 c5
33 Qc8 Qc6 34 Qb8 c4 35 Bf1 Ne6 36 Kgl c3 37 a6 c2 38 a7 Nc7 0-1? What's wrong
with 39 Qb2 f6 40 Qcl??

Texhoma Open, Wichita Falls, Texas - May, 1983

White: Stanley Black: Hitt

1 c4 c5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 e3 Nc6 6 Nge2 Nb4 7 d4 Qa5 8 a3 0-0 9 0-0
Ng4 10 Nf4 cd 11 ed Nh6 12 Nfd5 Nd5 13 Nd5 Qd8 14 Rel e6 15 Nc3 Nf5 16 d5 Bc3
17 bc3 ed 18 cd Nd6 19 Qd4 Nf5 20 Qe5 d6 21 Qf4 b6 22 Bb2 g5 23 Qe4 Bd7 24 c4 Re8
25 Qbl Nh4 26 gh4 gh 27 Re8 Be8 28 Qcl f6 29 Qh6 Bg6 30 Qh4 Kf7 31 Bh3 Qh8 32 Be6
Ke7 33 Rel 1-0.

Texhoma Open, Wichita Falls, Texas - May, 1983

White: McClure Black: Watson

1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 Nf3 d6 4 Be2 Nf6 5 Nc3 0-0 6 0-0 c6 7 Bg5 h6 8 Bh4 Qc7 9 Qd2
Kh7 10 Radl b5 11 e5 de 12 de Ng4 13 Bg3 Ne5 14 Ne5 Be5 15 f4 Bg7 16 Kh1 Bf5
17 Bh4 b4 18 Na4 c5 19 g4 Be4 20 Kgl Bd4 21 Bf2 Qc6 22 Bd4 cd4 23 Qb4 Qc2 24 Rd2
Nc6 25 Rc2 Nb4 26 Rd2 d3 27 Bf3 f5 28 Be4 fe4 29 Nc5 e3 30 Nd3 ed2 31 Nb4 Rfd8
32 Rd1 Rac8 33 Kf2 Rc4 34 a3 Rf4 35 Kg3 e5 36 Nc2 Rc4 37 Ne3 Rcl 38 Kf3 Rd3 39 Ke2
Re3 40 Kd2 Rd1 41 Kdl 0-1.

Cowtown Open, May, 1983 -- "One from the Pres!"

White: Davis, 1467 Black: Janni, 1657

1 d4 g6 2 g3 Bg7 3 Nf3 d6 4 Bg2 Nf6 5 0-0 c6 6 Rel 0-0 7 c3 Nbd7 8 Nbd2 Nb6 9 e4
Qc7 10 Nb3 e5 11 Be3 Ne4 12 de de 13 Bb6 Qb6 14 Re4 f5 15 Re5 Be5 16 Ne5 Rd8
17 Qf3 Be6 18 Nd4 Bd5 19 Qe2 Re8 20 Bd5 cd5 21 Ndf3 Re7 22 Rel Rae8 23 Kg2 Qd6
24 Qb5 Re5 25 Re5 Re5 26 Qb7 Re7 27 Qb3 Qd7 28 Qb4 Qb7 29 Qh4 Re4 30 Qd8 Kg7
31 Nd4 Re7 32 Qd6 Qd7 33 Qc5 Re8 34 b3 Rc8 35 Qb4 Qe8 36 Qb7 Kh6 37 Qb4 Qe4 38 f3
Qd3 39 h4 Qc3 40 Nf3 Nf5 41 Qf4 Kg7 42 Qg5 Kh8 43 Qf5 Qd2 44 Kh3 Rg8 45 Qf6 Rg7
46 Qf8 Rg8 47 Qf6 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$.

TEXAS JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

July 2-3, 1983, 5-SS, 45/2, LeBaron Hotel, 1055 Regal Row, Dallas, TX 75247.
EF: \$10. TCA Membership required. Trophies to 1st and 2nd. Registration: 8-9
AM, July 2, 1983. Advance entries to: Irving Chess Club, P.O. Box 1576, Irving,
TX 75060 (214) 255-6600 (No smoking-no computers) Hotel reservations must go to:
Continental Travel Center, P.O. Box 224, Amarillo, TX 79105 (806) 374-7474.

TEXAS SPEED CHAMPIONSHIP

July 3, 1983, 6 rounds - 2 games per round, each player must make all moves within
five minutes on his clock, 8 P.M. LeBaron Hotel, 1055 Regal Row, Dallas, TX 75247
Entry Fee: \$5. Trophy to 1st; place prizes and class prizes based on entries.
Rules will be same as described in Official Rules of Chess 2nd Edition by
Morrison (page 76) including touch move and forfeiture of game if illegal move
made (and called by opponent.) Registration at Lone Star Open up to 7:30 PM,
July 3, 1983. Advance entries to: Irving Chess Club, P.O. Box 1576, Irving, TX
75060 (214) 255-6600.

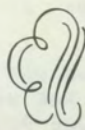
1983 TEXAS POSTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

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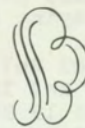
Must be a member of T.C.A. to enter.

Lynne Babcock just informed us that Burt Hochberg, a former editor of Chess Life, recently suffered a massive heart attack while attending a games convention in Chicago. Burt, currently in an editorial position for Games magazine, is currently in the Intensive Care Unit in Northwestern Hospital in Chicago. Our best wishes go out to Burt and his family.



1983 TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Championship Section



White: Bone Black: Thinnsen

1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 de 4 Ne4 Bf5 5 Ng3 Bg6 6 Nf3 Nf6 7 h4 h6 8 h5 Bh7 9 Bd3 Bd3
10 Qd3 e6 11 Be3 Nbd7 12 0-0-0 Bd6 13 Ne4 Ne4 14 Qe4 Nf6 15 Qd3 Qa5 16 Kbl 0-0-0
17 c4 Rhe8 18 Qb3 Qf5 19 Kal Bc7 20 Rh4 Nh5 21 d5 ed 22 cd Nf4 23 dc Rdl 24 Qdl bc
25 Qa4 Qd3 26 a3 Ng2 27 Qc6 Nh4 28 Qe8 Qd8 29 Qd8 Bd8 30 Nh4 Bh4 31 Ba7 Bg5 32 f3
Bf4 33 Bf2 g5 34 Kbl h5 35 Kc2 h4 36 Kdl h3 0-1.

White: Weaver Black: Smith

1 c4 e6 2 Nc3 d5 3 d4 c5 4 cd5 cd4 5 Qd4 Nc6 6 Qa4 ed5 7 e3 Nf6 8 Nf3 Bd6 9 Bb5
Bd7 10 Nd4 Qc7 11 h3 0-0 12 Bc6 bc6 13 Qc2 Rfe8 14 Bd2 Rab8 15 Rcl c5 16 Nde2 d4
17 Nbl Bb5 18 Nd4 Ba6 19 Nf5 Bf8 20 Bc3 Ne4 21 f3 Nc3 22 Qc3 g6 23 Qf6 Qa4 24 b4
Qb4 25 Rc3 gf5 26 Qa6 Re3 27 Kd2 Rc3 28 Nc3 Qb2 29 Kd3 Rd8 30 Kc4 Qb4 0-1.

White: Endsley Black: Calogridis

1 e4 c5 2 c3 d6 3 d4 Nf6 4 Bd3 g6 5 Nf3 Bg7 6 0-0 0-0 7 h3 Nc6 8 Be3 b6 9 Nbd2
Bb7 10 Qe2 cd 11 Nd4 d5 12 Radl Ne5 13 ed Nd3 14 Qd3 Qd5 15 Nd2f3 e5 16 c4 Qd6 0-1.

White: Wolff Black: Moss

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 4 cb a6 5 e3 ab 6 Bb5 Qa5 7 Nc3 Bb7 8 Bd2 Qb6 9 Bc4 e6
10 e4 Ne4 11 Nf3 Nf6 12 0-0 Be7 13 Rel 0-0 14 Bf4 Qb2 15 Qd3 Ra3 16 Bd2 Bd5 17 Bd5
Nd5 18 Rabl Rc3 19 Qd5 Qbl 20 Rbl ed5 21 Bc3 d4 22 Bal Nc6 23 a4 Ra8 0-1.

White: Thinnsen Black: Dike

1 c4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 Nf3 e5 4 g3 g6 5 Bg2 Bg7 6 0-0 Nge7 7 a3 0-0 8 Rbl a5 9 Nel d6
10 Nc2 Be6 11 d3 d5 12 cd Nd5 13 Nd5 Bd5 14 b4 Bg2 15 Kg2 b5 16 bc Qd5 17 e4 Qc5
18 Be3 Nd4 19 Nd4 ed4 20 Qcl Rfc8 21 Qc5 Rc5 22 Rfcl Rac8 23 Rc5 Rc5 24 Bd2 a4
25 Bb4 Rc2 26 Bd6 Rc6 27 e5 f6 28 f4 ef 29 ef Bf8 30 Bf8 Kf8 31 Kf3 Rc3 32 Ke4
Rb3 33 Ral b4 34 ab Rb4 35 Kd5 Ke7 36 Kc5 Rb3 37 Kd4 a3 38 Kc4 Rb2 39 Ra3 Rh2
40 Kd5 1-0.

White: Epstein Black: Campa

1 Nf3 Nf3 2 c4 b6 3 Nc3 Bb7 4 e3 e6 5 Be2 d5 6 0-0 c5 7 cd5 Nd5 8 Ne5 Qc7 9 Qa4
Bc6 10 Nc6 Nc6 11 Bf3 0-0-0 12 d4 Nc3 13 bc3 Na5 14 Bd2 Qd7 15 Qc2 c4 16 a4 Bd6
17 Rfbl Qc7 18 Rb5 Nb3 19 Rabl Bh2 20 Kh1 Bd6 21 a5 Qd7 22 Qe4 Qc7 23 Bel f5
24 Qe6 Kb8 25 ab6 ab6 26 R5b3 cb3 27 Ral 1-0.

White: Cunningham Black: Capps

1 e4 f5 2 ef5 Kf7 3 Qh5 g6 4 fg6 Kg7 5 gh7 Rh7 6 Qe2 Nc6 7 c3 e5 8 d3 d5
9 Nd2 Bf5 10 g4 Bg6 11 Ndf3 e4 12 de4 Be4 13 Ng5 Rh6 14 Ne4 Re6 15 Bg5 Be7 16 Be7
Qe7 17 0-0-0 de4 18 h4 Rf8 19 g5 Qc5 20 Qe3 Qe3 21 fe3 Ne5 22 Nh3 Rf3 23 Nf4 Rb6
24 h5 Rf2 25 h6 Kf8 26 Rd2 Rd2 27 Kd2 Ne7 28 h7 N7g6 29 Ng6 Ng6 30 h8/Q Nh8
31 Rh8 Rg7 32 Rc8 Rb2 33 Kcl Ra2 34 Rc7 Kg6 35 Rb7 Kg5 36 Bc4 Ra5 37 Rb5 1-0.

White: Bradford Black: Cunningham

1 Nf3 e6 2 g3 d5 3 Bg2 Nf6 4 0-0 Nbd7 5 c4 c6 6 Qc2 Bd6 7 b3 0-0 8 Nc3 Qe7 9 d4
Rd8 10 e4 Ne4 11 Ne4 de4 12 Qe4 Nf6 13 Qe2 Bd7 14 Bd2 Rac8 15 Ne5 Be8 16 Radl Bc7
17 Bc3 Bb8 18 Rfel Bd6 19 Bal Bb4 20 Rfl Bd6 21 Rd3 Nd7 22 Nf3 Nf8 23 Rfdl Qc7
24 Ng5 Ng6 25 h4 h6 26 Ne4 Bf8 27 h5 Ne7 28 Nc3 b5 29 Ne4 Kh8 30 Nd2 a6 31 Nf3
Ng8 32 Ne5 Be7 33 Bc6 Bc6 34 Nf7 Kh7 35 d5 Nf6 36 Nd8 Rd8 37 dc6 Rd3 38 Qd3 1-0.

White: Wheeler Black: Dike

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 b3 g6 3 Bb2 Bg7 4 g3 0-0 5 Bg2 d5 6 0-0 c5 7 e3 Bg4 8 h3 Bd7 9 d3
Qc8 10 Kh2? Ng4! (0-1 in 50.)

1983 TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Amateur Section

White: R. Davis Black: Brown

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 d4 0-0 6 Be2 e5 7 d5 Nbd7 8 Be3 a5 9 0-0
Ne8 10 Qc2 h6 11 Bd3 Ndf6 12 h3 Nh7 13 Qd2 f5 14 Qe2? f4 15 Bd2 g5 16 Nel Nef6
17 Nc2 h5 18 Na3 g4 19 h4 f3 20 Qe3 fg 21 Kg2 Ne8 22 f4 gf3 23 Rf3 Rf3 24 Qf3
Qh4 25 Rh1 Qg4 26 Qg4 hg4 27 Nc2 Bd7 28 Be2 Bf6 29 Ne3 Bg5 30 Rgl Bf4 31 Kf2
Nef6 32 Kel Kf7 33 Ng4 Bd2 34 Kd2 Ng4 35 Bg4 Nf6 36 Bd7 Nd7 37 Nb5 Rh8 38 Nc7
Rh2 39 Kcl Nc4 40 Rel?? Nd3 41 0-1.

White: Erwin (13 years old!) Black: Ridge (Editor's note: Isn't there some rule against kids playing this well??)

1 e4 e6 2 Nf3 b6 3 Nc3 Bb7 4 d4 Bb4 5 Bd3 d6 6 Bd2 Nd7 7 0-0 Ne7 8 Rel 0-0 9 e5
Bc3 10 bc3 d5 11 Bh7 Kh7 12 Ng5 Kg6 13 Qg4 f5 14 ef Nf6 15 Re6 Bc8 16 Nf3 Kf7
17 Ne5 Ke8 18 Qg7 Be6 19 Bh6 Nd7 20 Nc6 Nc6 21 Qg6 Bf7 22 Qc6 Rc8 23 Rel Qe7
24 Re7 Ke7 25 Bf8 Nf8 26 Qh6 Re8 27 h4 Ng6 28 h5 Nh4 29 Qg4 Kf8 30 Qh4 Rel 31 Kh2
Re4 32 Qf6 Kg8 33 h6 Re6 1-0. (ED. Note: oops! 18 Qg6 is mate in 2!)

White: Erwin Black: Ratliff

1 e4 c6 2 Nf3 d5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 e5 d4 5 Ne2 d3 6 Ng3 dc 7 Qc2 Nd5 8 Bc4 e6 9 0-0 Be7
10 d4 0-0 11 Bd3 h6 12 Bh6?! gh6 13 Qd2 Bg5 14 Ng5 Qg5 15 f4 Qe7 16 Bc4 Nd7 17 Bd5
cd5 18 f5 Qg5 19 Rf4 Nb6 20 Rg4? Qg4 21 Qh6 Qg7 22 Qf4 ef5 23 Nh5 Qg6 24 Nf6 Kg7
25 Rf1 Be6 26 Rf3 Rfc8 27 Rg3 Qg3 28 Qg3 Kf8 29 h4 Nd7 30 Nh7 Ke7 31 Qg5 Ke8 32 h5
Nf8 33 Nf6 Kd8 34 Nd5 Kd7 35 Qe7 Kc6 36 Qc5 Kd7 37 Nf6 Kd8 38 Qf8 1-0.

White: Locke Black: Cheyney

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 f5 4 cd ed 5 Nf3 Nf6 6 Bg5 c6 7 e3 Bd6 8 Bd3 0-0 9 0-0 Qe8
10 Rel Qh5 11 Ne2? Bh2! 12 Nh2 Qg5 13 Nf3 Qh6 14 Ng3 Ne4 15 Be4 fe4 16 Ne5 Qf6
17 Rf1 Nd7 18 Nh5 Qh6 19 Ng4?? Qh5 20 Nf6 Nf6 21 0-1.

White: Means Black: Nichols

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 c5 4 c3 Nc6 5 Nf3 Nge7 6 Bd3 Bd7 7 Bg5 cd 8 cd Qb6 9 Nbd2
Nb4 10 Nb3 Nd3 11 Qd3 Nf5 12 a4 Rc8 13 0-0 Rc4 14 g4 Nh6 15 Rfcl Qa6 16 Kg2 Ng4
17 Nfd2 Ne5! 18 Qg3 Rcl 19 Rcl Nc6 20 Qc7 Qb6 21 Rc6 bc6 22 0-1.

White: Shanks Black: Felder

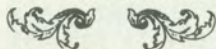
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0-0 10 g4 Rd8 11 h4 Ne8 12 Bd3 Nc6 13 Nce2 f6 14 Nc6 bc6 15 Be3 c5 16 c4 d5 17 ed
ed 18 cd Kh8 19 Nf4 c4 20 Bbl c3 21 Qc3 Qb8 22 Qd3 f5 23 h5 Bd7 24 Rd2 Kg8 25 gf
Bf6 26 Rhh2 Nd6 27 Ne6 Bb5 28 Qb3 Rc8 29 Rc2 Nc4 30 Bf4 Qb6 31 Rhg2 Bb2 32 Kd1
Qb7 33 Rb2? Ba4!! 34 Rg7 Kh8?? 35 Rb7 Nb2 36 Ke2 1-0 (Editor's note: In defense
of the poor moves at the end, a bitter and extremely noisy dispute had broken out
at the next board. For some time, no T.D. was to be found and the ruckus dis-
tracted both players. An unfortunate end to an exciting title game.)

White: Williams Black: Chao

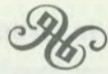
1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 Bf5 4 Nf3 h6 5 Nh4 Bh7 6 Be2 e6 7 Nf3 Ne7 8 0-0 Nf5 9 c3 Be7
10 Nbd2 0-0 11 Bd3 Nd7 12 g4 Nh4 13 Bh7 Kh7 14 Nh4 Bh4 15 Nf3 Be7 16 Kh1 Kh8
17 Rgl c5 18 g5 hg 19 Ng5 g6 20 Qg4 Bg5 21 Bg5 Qb6 22 Qh4 Kg8 23 Bf6 Nf6 24 Qf6
Qd8 25 Rg6! fg6 26 Qg6 Kh8 27 Qh5 Kg7 28 Rgl 1-0.

White: Patterson Black: Rapier Computer

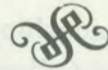
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17 0-1.



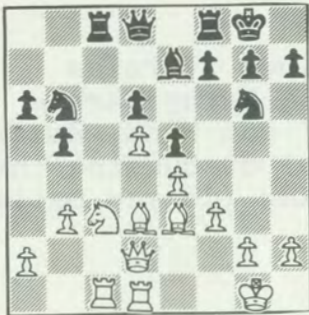
From the Editor: Bruce Baker writes that things are going just swimmingly in the Postal Chess area. The Texas Postal participants are growing all the time. Section 82-1 just finished. Jack Comando and James Roberts just drew their game to end the section tied for first at 5½-½. They will both advance to the 82-Final. Miscellaneous: 82-2 Quayle Johnson ½, Dick Bins ½; Jim Roberts 1, Quayle Johnson 0; 80-F Jim Roberts 1, Terry Speed 0. Congratulations are in order for Bruce for the birth of a 3-week old baby girl (What's that again??)..... Lucky we were that the Austin power outage didn't occur during the State tourney. I'm not sure of the rules regarding blindfold chess in such circumstances..... USCF has announced that the World Youth Team Championships will be held at the University of Chicago from August 22 to September 3. If you're in the area, it would be a great opportunity to see some very high-level competition. US players will be IM's Benjamin, Kudrin, Fedorowicz, and Wilder; World Chess Federation Master (FM) Jay Whitehead; and IM Ginsburg. The Russian line-up includes GM's Yusopov, Psakhis, and Dolmatov! Nineteen nations will be represented.....Late-breaking news is that the exciting Kasparov-Korchnoi semifinal match will be played in Pasadena, Ca. with opening ceremonies tentatively set for July 29. The match will be held in conjunction with the annual U. S. Open Championship, which will take place at the Huntington Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena from August 7 to 19. The match is scheduled for 12 games, played every other day, with a four-game "overtime" in case of a tie. The presence of Korchnoi, Kasparov, their entourages, and many other world chess personalities will add greatly to the excitement in Pasadena.....Ron Henley tied for 4th-6th places at the recent Marshall International in New York. Henley will participate in a very strong International tournament sponsored by Heraldica and the Ruslan Restaurant in New York.....It's interesting to hear different people's opinions about computers in tournaments. It's never bothered me one way or another, but it's easy to be indifferent when you feel there's just no chance that one of those creepy critters could slip up on you. If one played that was my rating or higher, it might be a little touchy!



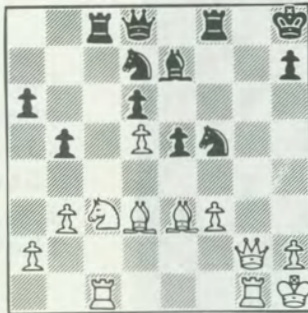
WHEN SHOULD ONE RESIGN?
by Gary Simms



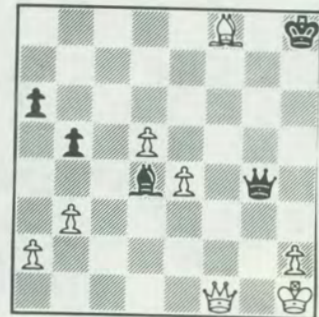
The following position (See Diagram #1) occurred after 20 Bd3 in the game Buchanan-Simms, Northern Colorado Open 1983. Feeling the need for drastic action, Black chose to take matters in his own hands with 20...f5? This clever conception only has two or three gaping holes. The idea, of course, is that if 21 ef, Black regains his pawn with 21...Nh4 because protective measures such as 22 Qc2 or 22 g4 appear to win for Black. Mr. Buchanan, however, by utilizing his strong Bishop at e3 proves that Black has been too clever for his own good. After 21 Qf2! Nd7 22 ef Nh4 23 g4 White is a pawn to the good. Although it's most likely too early to resign, the recent turn of events has certainly dampened Black's enthusiasm for the game. What's to do? Notice that most of White's pieces are momentarily out of place for the defense of his King. If only I could break through his phalanx of pawns... 23...g6?! Let's get those lines to his King open! (Never mind that the Black King is a sitting duck for White's Queen and two Bishops!) 24 Kh1! (24 fg Rf3 25 gh Kh8 26 Qe2 Bg5 27 Bg5 Qg5 was the variation I was staking my fortune on, but I still don't know if it's worth anything for Black.) 24...gf 25 Nf5?? (I jumped at the chance to restore material equality.) 26 Rg1 Kh8 27 Qg2! (See Diagram #2) Now I felt as if the roof had caved in. Look at this position very carefully. If you were playing a Candidate Master, what would you do as Black? A 1600 player would probably resign; Joe Bradford would not! Trying to appear as if it were normal for heart rate to be 165 and my face to be beet red, I set about the task of analyzing the position. After all, 28 Qg7 is not mate; my Knight covers that square. But he is threatening capture of the Knight. In a way a move should be easy to find in this position. When every move you examine loses a piece, all you have to do is find one (anything!) that doesn't. With this in mind, I glommed onto 27...e4! 28 Be4 (That didn't seem to slow him down much. So isn't the problem still the same, except that Black is a pawn down? No!) 28...Bf6! (Now the mating square is guarded by the Bishop which also attacks a Knight as an added bonus.) 29 Bf5 Rc3 30 Rc3 Bc3 (Wow! This is great. I'm only a pawn down. I feel like I've been reincarnated!) 31 Bh7 (Oh, the ignominy of it all. Why must I suffer like this? Can you imagine a worse position? Black is now 2 pawns down with 2 Bishops, a Queen and a Rook strafing his denuded King position. All right, is it time now to resign? Noo, noo, noo; let's make a little game of seeing how long we can keep him from mating us. 31...Qh4 32 Bf5 (Now he points out a possible mate on g8!) 32...Nc5 33 Bf2 Qh5 34 Be4 Be5 (Ineffective as it may be, this threatens 35...Ne4 36 fe4 Qh2 37 Qh2 Bh2 with some hope.) 35 Bg3 Bd4 36 Bd6 Ne4 37 fe4 (Surely this position is resignable. With so few pieces left on the board, and 3 pawns down, Black is beginning to look a little foolish playing on. White has no doubt already counted his coup and is pleasantly contemplating his standing in the tournament entering the final round with a perfect score, having defeated the highest rated player. So let's resign. Only two things kept me from doing so. 1) I absolutely abhor losing. 2) There is a glimmering of an idea here. Let's go for it!) 37...Bg1 38 Bf8 Bd4 (This move is a little bothersome, as it stops White's mate and threatens mate in 2 by Black. But when one is 3 pawns up, minor inconveniences can be easily endured.) 39 Qf1 (Already the startling 39 h4! should be given serious consideration.) 39...Qg4 (Only now does White begin to smell a rat. He finds it very difficult to guard g1, f3, e4, and d1.) 40 h4 Qe4 41 Qg2?? (The strain is too much. The position is drawn after 41 Kh2! 43 Rh3 Qe3 44 Kg4 Qf4 and the White Bishop ist kaputen, even though the ending is not at all easy for Black. (0-1, 60) Now for the moral: When should one resign? Answer: It's hard to say!



#1



#2



#3

U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP SET FOR THIEL COLLEGE

The 1983 U.S. Chess Championship will be held at Thiel College in Greenville, Pennsylvania, from July 14 to August 1. Thiel College, which also hosted the Championship in 1980, is a small liberal arts institution located near Youngstown, Ohio.

The 14-player field will include almost all of the top U.S. masters: International Grandmasters Lev Alburt and Andrew Soltis (New York City), Walter Browne (Berkeley, Calif.), Larry Christiansen and James Tarjan (Los Angeles), Roman Dzindzihashvili (Corona, N.Y.) and Anatoly Lein (Union City, N.J.). International Masters are Joel Benjamin and Dmitry Gurevich (Brooklyn, N.Y.), Nick de Firmian (Oakland, Calif.), Boris Kogan (Atlanta, Ga.), Sergey Kudrin (Stamford, Conn.), and Kamran Shirazi (Los Angeles). U.S. Senior Master Jay Whitehead of San Francisco, winner of the 1981 Junior Championship, will also play. Other seeded players include Soltis (1982 US Open champion), Benjamin (1982 Junior titlist), and Gurevich and Kogan (1981 and 1982 U.S. Grand Prix, respectively). Six of the players were born in the Soviet Union!

The tournament schedule, which includes some free days, calls for one game a day, from 1 to 6 PM. Rounds will be July 15-17, 19-21, 23-25, 27-29, and 31. Spectators are encouraged to attend, and accommodations will be available for those who wish to stay over. William Goichberg, a National Tournament Director and International Arbiter, will head the staff.

A prize fund totalling over \$21,000 will be at stake. Prizes include \$5000 for first, \$3000 second, \$2500 third, \$2000 fourth, \$1500 fifth, \$1200 sixth, and \$1000 seventh. Eighth through 14th places will each win \$75 per point scored. In addition, the winner of the most brilliant game will receive \$250 (see attached press release), and Dr. Craig Crenshaw has donated \$500 in special prizes in memory of his wife Florence: \$150 for the best-played draw, \$100 for best ending, \$100 for best combination, \$100 for best "comeback" in the second half of the tournament, and \$50 for the best "swindle."

The most coveted prize, of course, is the title of United States Chess Champion. Past champions include the legendary Frank Marshall, Samuel Reshevsky, and Bobby Fischer. Walter Browne has won outright three times and tied twice, most recently in 1981 when the Championship was last held.

For more information on the U.S. Championship, or U.S. Chess, please contact U.S. Chess at 186 Route 9W, New Windsor, N.Y. 12550 (914-562-8350).



Two lovely wives of Texas chessplayers: Kathy Gamble (Jeff's wife) and Nancy Wolff (Steve's wife) discussing the English Opening (do you believe that?)



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The U.S. Open Chess Championship -- Past and Present

Every year since 1900, there has been a U.S. Open Chess Championship. The event has been under the auspices of the U.S. Chess Federation—a membership organization of over 50,000—since 1939 when that organization was founded. The U.S. Open has become the most prestigious, most popular national chess tournament in the United States.

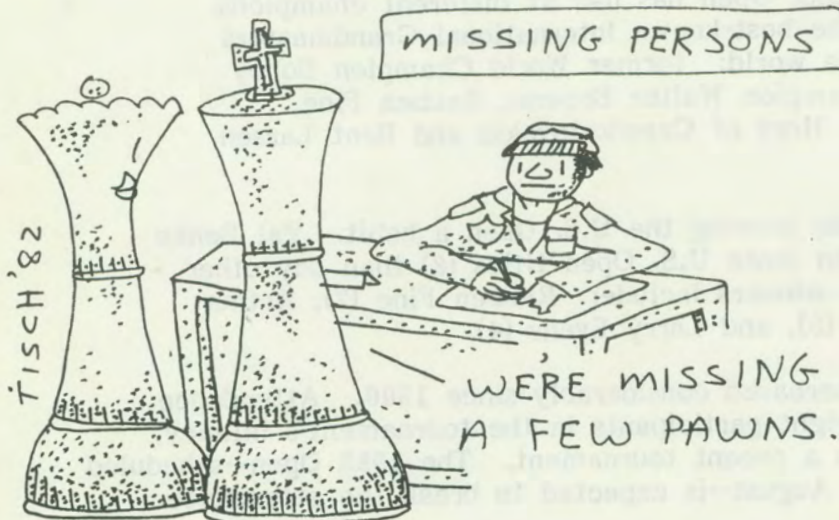
- The U.S. Open is the oldest and largest national event in the U.S. history. (The Open was held under the auspices of the Western Chess Association from 1900-1934, and the American Chess Foundation from 1934-1938.)
- In its 83-year history, the U.S. Open has had 57 different champions. Among them are some of the best-known International Grandmasters in the United States and the world: former World Champion Bobby Fischer, current U.S. co-Champion Walter Browne, Reuben Fine, Samuel Reshevsky, Vlastimil Hort of Czechoslovakia and Bent Larsen of Denmark are examples.
- Some chessplayers have made winning the U.S. Open a habit. Pal Benko of the United States has won more U.S. Open titles (8) than any other competitor. Other multiple winners include: Reuben Fine (7), Arthur Bisguier (5), Edward Lasker (5), and Larry Evans (4).
- The size of the Open has increased considerably since 1900. Attendance has grown from as few as eight participants in the tournament's infancy, to a record crowd of 778 in a recent tournament. The 1983 Open—scheduled for Pasadena, California, in August—is expected to break the attendance record.
- The Open moves to a different city each year, giving all chessplayers a greater opportunity to participate. In recent years the U.S. Open has visited Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Milwaukee, New Orleans, New York, San Francisco, St. Louis, St. Paul, and Tampa.
- Of all open, national chess tournaments, the U.S. Open is the most glamorous, with two exciting weeks of chess competition and other activities. The U.S. Chess Federation's annual convention accompanies the tournament, allowing players and enthusiasts to participate in seminars, workshops, and mini-tournaments as well.

In 1984 the U.S. Open returns—after an absence of 33 years—to Fort Worth, Texas.



COLLEGE STATION. The splendid Rudder Tower at the Texas A&M University was the site of the annual San Jacinto Open on 9-10 April 1983. Among the 26 players (3 of them masters) you did not have to be a master or even a master candidate to share the first prize. Proof: the 1-3 places were shared by Joe Bradford (Senior Master), Barry Endsley (Master Candidate) and Anthony Bruni (I cat.). They scored $3\frac{1}{2}$ points in the 4 rounds and each took \$97. Master-candidate class prizes (1-2) were shared by Bond and Gottesman (the latter drew the game with Bradford). First category prizes (1-2) were shared by Turin and Djurić. Second category class prize was taken by Charles Bell. Third category + unrated class prize went to Michael McDonald. $2\frac{1}{2}$ points were scored by Shtern, Hulsey, Naiser and Anderson. 2 Points: Epstein, Campa (out of 3 games), Laverty, Turin and Djurić. $1\frac{1}{2}$: Leonard (out of 3), Binder, Oliva, Bell and M. McDonald. One point: Smith (Ken, the master. He played only this one game, then he withdrew because he had to travel to Mexico), Ratliff, Villareal and Williams. $\frac{1}{2}$ point: Reno (2 games), Johnson. No points: K. McDonald (2 games). TD was Dušan Djurić, assisted by Charles Bell. Our next tournament is 15-16 October 1983, otherwise we meet Fridays.

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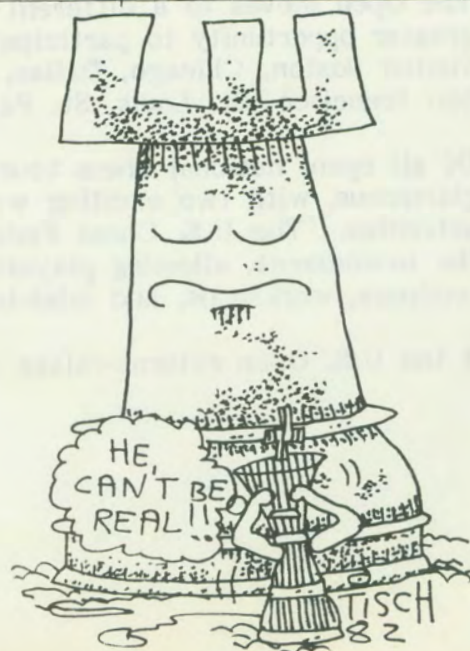


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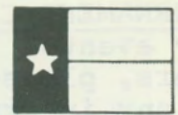
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LONE STAR OPEN



JULY 2-4, 1983
DALLAS, TEXAS

Le Baron Hotel
1055 Regal Row
Dallas, Texas 75247

\$1,850 Guaranteed Prize Fund

First Place	\$300 + Trophy
Second Place	\$200 + Trophy
Expert	\$200
Class A	\$200 + Trophy
2nd	\$100
Class B	\$200 + Trophy
2nd	\$100
Class C	\$200 + Trophy
2nd	\$100
Class D/E	\$100 + Trophy
2nd	\$50
Unrated	\$100 + Trophy

Registration: 8 am to 9 am, July 2, 1983

Entry Fee: \$30 at door, \$25 if by
June 29, 1983

Time Limit: 45 moves in 2 hours

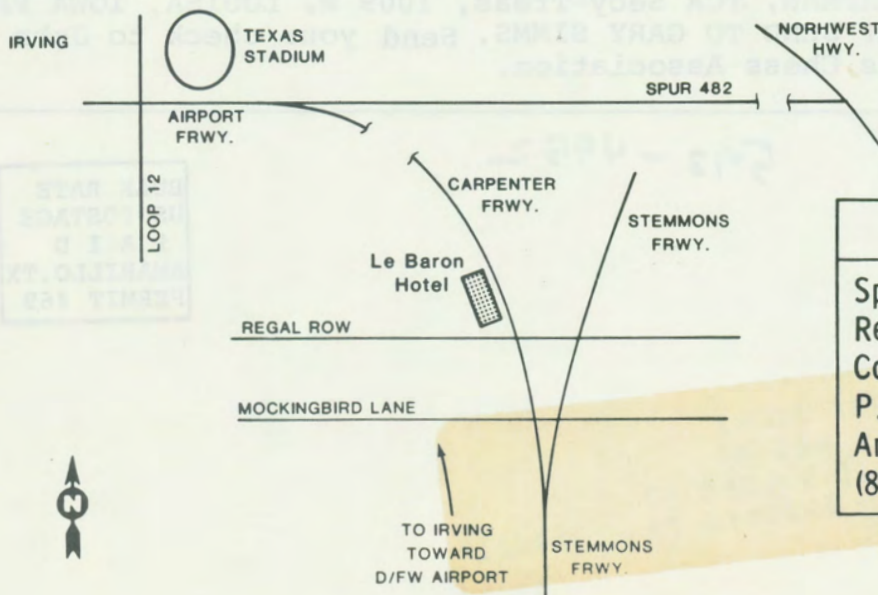
Type of

Tournament: 6 Round Swiss

USCF and TCA membership required

Advance Entries to Sponsor:

Irving Chess Club
P. O. Box 1576
Irving, Texas 75060



Hotel Reservations

Special Rate: \$45
Reservations must go to:
Continental Travel Center
P. O. Box 224
Amarillo, Texas 79105
(806) 374-7474

TOURNAMENT CALENDAR: The following schedule does not include one-day events. Please check with your local clubs for these. Organizers, please notify Gary Simms, 4113 Tulane, Amarillo, TX 79109, if any information on this list is incomplete or incorrect. Also, please send him your club's schedule as early as possible so we may notify you of conflicting dates. Full details of these events are normally available in Chess Life.

Jun 25-26 SA
 Jul 2-4 A, D(CC), H
 Jul 9-10 Open
 Jul 16-17 AM, HCS
 July 23-24 SA
 Jul 30-31 Open
 Aug 6-7 B, M
 Aug 13-14 HCS
 Aug 20-21 UT
 Aug 27-28 Open
 Sept 3-5 SA
 Sept 10-11 Open
 Sept 17-18 HCS
 Sept 24-25 A
 Oct 1-2 B
 Oct 8-9 A, L
 Oct 15-16 A&M
 Oct 22-23 HCS, SA
 Oct 29-30 Open

JUL 2-3. Rio Grande Open. 5-SS, 45/2, LaQuinta Motor Inns, 1002 S. Expressway 83, Harlingen, TX 78550. EF: \$16, jr. \$10, if rec'd by 6/25; \$18, \$12 at site. \$1G 175: 100-50-25. Reg. 8-9 a.m., Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 78550. NS. NC.

JUL 2-4 ACE XX - Summer Championship. 6-SS, 45/2, Chess and Bridge Studio, 1701 Palo Duro Rd., Austin, TX. \$5 (1100 b/75). 2 sections: **Championship**, 1800/above. \$5 (250G to 1st): 250-150-100-50. **Amateur**, 1799/below. \$5: 200-150-100-75-25. **Both**, \$25. Reg. 8:30-12 p.m., Rds. 1:30-7, 10-4, 9-2:30. Ent: Pat Long, P.O. Box 2307, Austin, TX 78768 (512) 472-6207. NS. C.
 Grand Prix Points Available: 5

JUL 2-4 Lone Star Open. 6-SS, 45/2, LeBaron Hotel, 1055 Regal Row, Dallas, TX 75247. EF: \$25, if rec'd by 6/29; \$30 at site. ST \$5, jr. \$4. \$1G 1850: 300-200, Candidate Master 200, Cat. I, II, III 200-100, Cat. IV/V 100-50, Unr. 100; trophy to 1st each Cat. except CM, trophy to top Unr. Reg. 8-9 a.m., Rds. 10-3, 9-3, 9-3. HR: special rate: \$45; reservations must go to Continental Travel Center, P.O. Box 224, Amarillo, TX 79105; (806) 374-7474. Ent: Irving Chess Club, P.O. Box 1576, Irving, TX 75060. (214) 255-6600. NS. NC.
 Grand Prix Points Available: 10

JUL 16-17 11th Annual Tall-in-Texas Open. 5-SS, 45/2, Villa Inn Motel, 1-40 & Grand (Grand St. exit), Amarillo, TX 79103. EF: \$25, if rec'd by 7/14; \$30 at site. \$5 (1000 b/60, 5/cat., \$250 to top 2 G): 300-75, Cat. I, II, III, IV/below, Unr. each 125, plus trophies. Reg. 8-9 a.m., Rds. 9:30-2-7, 8:30-1. HR: \$39 (special chess rates). Ent: Harvey L. Ratliff, Jr., P.O. Box 2044, Amarillo, TX 79105. NS. NC.
 Grand Prix Points Available: 5

JUL 16-17 Studio Open. 4-SS, 45/2, Houston Chess Studio, 815 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007. EF: \$20, if rec'd by 5/7; \$25 at site. \$5G: 175-75, Cat. I, II, III/below each 50 (b/25). Reg. 9:30 a.m., Rds. 10-2, 10-2. Ent: address above (713) 880-3260. NS. NC.
 Grand Prix Points Available: 5

JUL 23-24 San Antonio Open Championship. 5-SS, 45/2, Broadway Plaza Hotel, 1111 N.E. Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78209 (800) 292-7642. EF: \$18, jr. \$15, if rec'd by 7/21; \$22, \$19 at site. \$5 (class b/40, top 3 G): 125-75-50, Cat. I, II, III, IV/V/Unr. each 50. Reg. 8-9 a.m., Rds. 9:30-2:30-7:30, 9-2:30. Ent: SACC, c/o Mike Moore, 4510 Walzem, San Antonio, TX 78218 (512) 655-1309. NS. NC.
 Grand Prix Points Available: 5

JUL 30-31 The Second Longhorn Open. Canceled. Texas

AUG 13-14 Houston Open III. 4-SS, 45/2, Memorial Plaza Holiday Inn, 2100 Memorial Dr., Houston, TX 77007 (713) 880-3260. 2 sections: **Open**, \$1G: 175-75, Cat. I 50. **Under 1800**, \$1G: 100 to 1st, Cat. II, III, IV each 50. **Both**, EF: \$20, if rec'd by 8/7; \$25 at site. Reg. 9 a.m., Rds. 10-3, 10-3. HR: \$29.95 4 in room; special rates for chess tmnt. Ent: Houston Chess Studio, 815 Jackson Hill, Houston, TX 77007. NS. NC.
 Grand Prix Points Available: 5

AUG 20-21 The Second Ace Chess Spectacular. 45/2, Ramada Inn, La Espada Room, 300 E. 11, Austin, TX 78701. 2 sections: **Above 1799**, 4-SS. \$1G 250: 175-75. Rds. 9:30-3, 9-2. **Under 1800**, 5-SS. Trophies to CM, Cat. I, II, III, IV. Rds. 9:30-2-7, 9-2. **Both**, EF: \$20, above 2399 free. Reg. 8-9 a.m. Eligibility for prizes may be based on highest attained rating. Info: Robert Jaster, 3408 Speedway, Apt. 2, Austin, TX 78705. NS. C.
 Grand Prix Points Available: 5

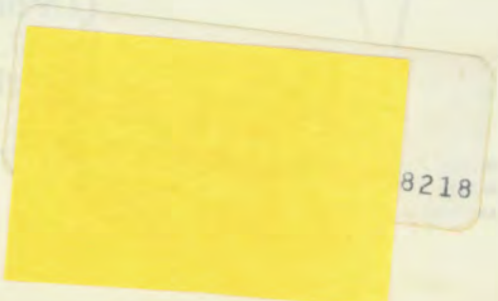
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